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### Now is the time...

Yes, now is the time to order that certain plant or plants you have always wanted for your collection.

We have made up this catalog in as simple a manner as possible so all may understand just what to expect as to size and quality of our plants, and the price. For more than forty years we have been breeding orchids to improve the strains. Therefore ARM-ROY efforts and knowledge have resulted in genuine hereditary improvements, making it possible to assure you stronger plants, free blooming, and bearing larger, longer-lasting flowers. ARM-ROY quality brings you more consistent flower production.

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You are welcome to inspect or select from our many greenhouses at any time. Our sales staff are all practical growers and they are always available to help you make the best possible selection.

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### The Cattleya Orchid...

The Cattleya is the original cultivated orchid . . . an exquisite flower of noble proportions with spectacular colors ranging from snowy whites to dazzling yellows, from rich apricots to intriguing bronze shades, from royal lavenders to striking scarlets. Endless color variations are available, all enchanting and dramatic.

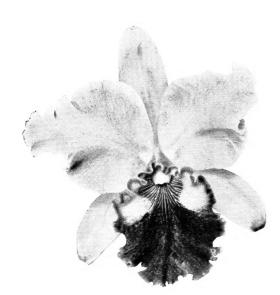
We have forty-six greenhouses devoted to this genera for the production of seedlings and plants for sale as well as cut-flower production.

Some of the parent plants we use have been awarded a First Class Certificate or an Award of Merit by the Royal Horticultural Society. But though we have a large stock of awarded plants, and are constantly adding to them, they alone do not guarantee consistently good results, for it is a well established fact among breeders of long standing that such awarded plants do not always produce the best hybrids. Consequently, over the years we developed and proved a number of stud plants to a point where we know that they will produce the results we are after. By using our "private stud" plants, developed by generations of our own breeding, with the awarded plants, we have a combination that assures us the quality you and we want.

We now follow the procedure of making and offering only those crosses that we would wish to have in our own greenhouses for high quality cut-flower production and show purposes. Thus we are really offering to share a part of the plants we are growing for our own use. We believe these crosses represent the best obtainable today, and they will continue to meet the highest standards many years from now.

In addition to the general listing of crosses, we have many divisions of plants, selected when in bloom, of fine plants and plants reserved for stud purposes. These are available in limited quantities, but the list is too long to catalog. Kindly ask for any special needs and we will be glad to quote prices.

Community pot sizes are available upon request, though not catalogued.



### INTRODUCTION

Owing to the difference in climatic conditions in various parts of the United States, it is impossible to give specific instructions for the successful culture of Cattleyas and allied hybrids such as Laelio-cattleyas, Brassocattleyas, or any other types of orchids for that matter. It is obvious that the same rules could not apply in the States of Oregon and Washington where humidity is usually high, and in the arid southern States such as Arizona. The following, therefore, are general rules that, if followed, will contribute to success in the culture of these plants. Orchids are not delicate plants, as is usually supposed, and will grow well if given ordinary care.

**ENCLOSURE.** The first question most people ask is what kind of enclosure do I need? Provide the kind of enclosure that you feel you can afford but remember that your collection will grow and it is cheaper to build a place large enough than it is to make additions afterwards. Choose a location as near as possible free from shade of your house and trees and those of your neighbors, for in such a location you will stand the best chance of providing the degree of shade that fits the growing methods you choose to employ. Provide a degree of shade that will be relaxing without being depressing to the average human being. In cool, damp climates one may use more sunlight than in hot, dry ones. A good guide is the color of the leaves on your plants. If dark green, too much shade; if olive green, just right; if yellow green, too much light.

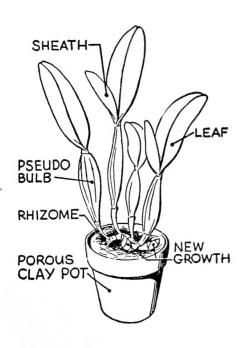
WARDIAN CASE. A wardian case is simply a glass box in which conditions of temperature and humidity can be controlled more easily than on the window sill or other outside location. These cases can be easily constructed by building a solid bottom of boards and four stationary sides and hinged lid of ordinary win-



dow sash, with a few holes bored in the bottom of the sash for ventilation. Place a metal container on the bottom for wet sand, gravel, or coke, arrange the plants on a rack over this container and they are ready to grow and bloom. The size of the case will have to be determined by the space available and where the plants can get the proper light.

WINDOW CULTURE. Choose a window exposed to considerable sunlight and provide thin curtains or other means of filtering the light so that the plants are not exposed to the full strength of direct sun rays. Place glass or metal vessels in the windows and put the plants on wire or woodslat racks over these vessels. Gravel or charcoal should be placed in the vessels and kept moist at all times. Evaporation from these materials will provide humidity for the atmosphere. The root system is watered simply by pouring water on top of the pot until it drips at the bottom. An atomizer will supply a satisfactory spray for the leaves, or the plants may be taken to the kitchen sink and sprayed. Room temperature should be kept as nearly as possible between 65 and 75 degrees. Temperatures comfortable to humans are usually also comfortable to orchids.





**Roots:** The function of the roots is to transmit moisture, minerals and other nutritional material from the growing medium (in most cases, osmunda fibre or osmundine) to the plant. Most of the roots penetrate the growing medium, but a few may grow over the edge of the pot.

**Rhizome:** A tough fibrous stem which joins the pseudobulbs to the roots. It rests on top of the growing medium.

**Pseudobulb:** The thick fleshy stem from which the leaf grows. Functions: to store moisture and energy for future use of plant.

**Leaf:** Serves purpose of all leaves, i.e. to convert air, water and minerals – in the presence of light – into sugars and other hydrocarbons.

"**Eye**": Dormant growth at base of pseudobulb which will become active upon the next growing season of the plant.

**Sheath:** Formed at top of pseudobulb, it serves to protect the small buds until they have reached a size where they break through. From then on, they are usually hardy enough to withstand any adverse conditions they may encounter. Occasionally, a growth appears without a sheath, but buds may form anyway and develop into flowers.

### **CULTURAL SUGGESTIONS FOR CATTLEYAS**

For many years those who grew Cattleyas thought or talked and wrote as if they thought that one must possess a number of special senses in order to even attempt the task of growing orchids. Now thousands of amateurs throughout the nation have thoroughly debunked this theory. Perhaps there was some excuse for the early growers forming this opinion when we consider the uniqueness and astounding beauty of orchids. So unique, so beautiful that the early growers could not quite consider them as plants in the normal sense and instead of employing the principles of culture of plants familiar to them they attempted to formulate a new set of procedures with little or no data to work on, became completely confused themselves, and confused everyone else. Amateurs have been successful in growing orchids in a wide variation of enclosures all the way from a glass box in the living room, an out-of-doors enclosure that was hardly big enough to turn around in to some quite spacious and artistically constructed greenhouses. First of all, remember that orchids are plants. Don't be afraid of them.

### GREENHOUSE TEMPERATURE

The ideal temperature for Cattleyas in the greenhouse is about 84 degrees

mid-day on bright days in summer in most parts of the country, and about 63 degrees at night. These are safe temperatures for California throughout the year. In the Northern and Eastern States, winter temperature may range from 65 degrees to 75 degrees mid-day and in the low 50's at night. Some growers have good luck with even lower temperatures, and if you are one of them so much the better. The important thing to remember is that if the day temperature is low then that at night should be lower; if the day is warm then the night temperature should be up

**HUMIDITY.** A good guide for humidity is that an orchid house should be comfortable to people all the time they are walking in it, but if one stands still for a few minutes, they should perspire a little. From 50 to 70% relative humidity in the daytime is desirable.

**WATERING.** The subject of when to water and when to withhold water from the growing media of orchid plants has been a much mooted question for many years gone by, and so the best that one could hope for in any set of cultural instructions would be to accomplish some alleviation of

the fear of attacking this task. The degree of dryness the growing media should reach before water is applied to it may be determined in many ways; by hefting the pot and determining the dryness by weight, or lifting it up completely and looking at the bottom of the pot. Be sure the media is thoroughly dry before watering and then water thoroughly. Be careful with large pots, 5½" and 6".

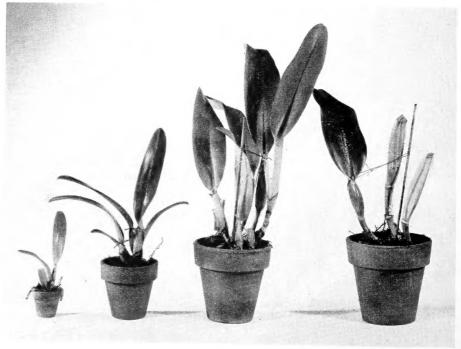
**POTTING.** Potting should be demonstrated. Our only advice is to pot your plants firmly and at the first sign of satisfaction that you have done a good job, leave it alone. We hear a lot about growing mixtures. No doubt they all have their merits, but we feel that osmunda is the safest and cheapest in the long run.

**SPRAYING.** A spraying program every month or so with one of the commercial orchid sprays will provide adequate pest control.

These instructions are basically for Cattleyas, but thousands of amateurs throughout the nation have demonstrated that Cypripediums, Phalaenopsis, Dendrobiums and other orchids, and other plants, will grow side by side under conditions similar to these described here.

### HOW WE PRICE Arm-Roy CATTLEYA ORCHID PLANTS

Plants listed in the catalog are priced according to the size of pot A. B. C., and variety — out of flower. The newer crosses are listed in the smaller sizes while the older ones are shown in the larger sizes. Generally speaking, a plant will be mature enough to flower when it has reached 4" size.



A B C 11/2"—2 years old 3"—3-4 years old 4"—5-7 years ol

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### LAVENDER CATTLEYAS

3264 C. REMY CHOLET (C. Trianae, Imperator AM x C. Monarch) An improved form of a world famous hybrid in medium to deep lavender	5" r tones. 51/2" 6"	\$15.00 17.50
A strong, free flowering strain to fill your winter and spring needs.	0	20.00
3806 <b>C. BONANZA</b> (C. Prospector x C. Athena)	5″ 5½″ 6″	\$15.00 17.50 20.00
3847 <b>LC. ABIGAIL B. ANDERSON</b> (C. Peetersii x Lc. Princess Margaret) . Parents involved in this cross are superb. Season so far seems to be fall.	5″ 5½″ 6″	\$15.00 17.50 20.00
3874 <b>LC. INDRA</b> (Lc. Integrity x C. Prospector #1)		\$22.50 25.00 30.00
4018 <b>C. MIRAMAR</b> (C. Prospector x C. Santa Monica, Goliath) Here is a mating of two of the finest winter blooming Cattleyas we know. C Monica v. Goliath has tremendous substance and shape and C. Prospect our mind the most profitable cut-flower Cattleya yet raised. Rich yellow makes this flower eye catching.	for is to 6"	\$17.50 20.00 22.50
4141 <b>C. GERAINT</b> (C. Fabianid x C. Remy Cholet v. Vivicans) As one would expect from the parentage the plant is a very easy gracompact size bearing rich lavender flowers with an intense dark lip carries stem of above average length. C. Geraint definitely flowers on the high winter market.	ed on a $5\frac{1}{2}$	\$12.50 15.00 17.50 20.00
4237 <b>LC. ESCONDIDO</b> ( <i>Lc. Integrity x C. Enid v. Amazon</i> ) Flowers with medium lavender sepals and petals. Large, well formed, de ender, lip with broad yellow gold veins fusing to pale yellow, in the Carried on stems of majestic proportions. Flowering season winter.		\$12.50 15.00 17.50 20.00 22.50
4273 <b>LC. LANCASTER</b> (Lc. Keokuk v. Red Chief x C. Remy Cholet) An excellent commercial type. Large dark lavender flowers with deeper livarying degrees of yellow in the throat. Late winter and early spring.	4" ps, with 4½" 5"	\$10.00 12.50 15.00
4277 <b>LC. MEM. WALTER ARMACOST</b> (Lc. Cuesta, Colossus x C. Tityus, Patrice The growth habit is robust yet compact. Large flowers of exceptional size and substance with brilliant lavender sepals and petals. Rich frilled lavender lip with pronounced yellow-gold veins. Season is mid-winter. No these have already won awards.	e, form, $4\frac{1}{2}^{"}$ deeper $5^{"}$	\$15.00 17.50 20.00 22.50
4420 <b>LC. CHISHOLM TRAIL</b> (Lc. Elissa, Gloriosa x C. Tityus, Patriarch) An excellent commercial flower. Dark colors with rich yellow veined Season winter.	4" throats. 4½" 5"	\$15.00 17.50 20.00
4439 <b>BLC. VALDA CRUZ</b> ( <i>Lc. Integrity x Bc. Hartland</i> )	3½″ n intense 4″ 4½″ 5″	\$10.00 12.50 15.00 17.50
4536 <b>LC. FRED B. CASTATOR</b> (Lc. Dorothy Fried x C. Ardentissima, Colossus) A late summer and early fall bloomer. Graceful long stems and exquisi flower with rich gold markings predominate.		\$12.50 15.00 17.50
4572 <b>C. FABIANID</b> (C. Enid, fine x C. Fabia, W'birt var.)	4" growing 4½" . Season 5"	\$10.00 12.50 15.00
4575 <b>LC. BAGDAD</b> (Lc. Morvyth Magnifica x C. Peetersii, very fine) Those that we have flowered have all been dark lavender resembling Lc. I in shape and size. Season fall.	4" Morvyth 4½" 5"	\$12.50 15.00 17.50

### LAVENDER CATTLEYAS (Cont.)

4610	LC. DERRYNAME (Lc. Princess Margaret x Lc. Balkis)	4" 4 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> "	\$12.50 15.00
4658	<b>C. FAMOSA</b> (C. Remy Cholet x C. Tityus, Patriarch)	4" 4½" 5" 5½"	\$10.00 12.50 15.00 17.50
4716	<b>LC. HELEN VELIZ</b> (Lc. Dorothy Fried x C. Enid, very fine)	4" 4½" 5"	\$12.50 15.00 17.50
4723	<b>LC. MRS. HAROLD LLOYD X C. DUPREANA</b>	3" 31/ <sub>2</sub> "	\$ 5.00 7.50
4724	<b>LC. LAKE LOUISE</b> ( <i>Lc. Prosperity x C. Enid</i> )	4" 4 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> " 5"	\$12.50 15.00 17.50
4759	LC. BALKIS, FINE VAR. X LC. WINDERMERE, ESTELLE The Lc. Balkis used in this cross was very good. The merits of Lc. Windermere v. Estelle are well known. The flower is extremely large, profuse with gold markings in the throat. Season winter.	3" 3½" 4" 4½" 5"	\$ 7.50 10.00 12.50 15.00 17.50
4771	<b>LC. ALLAN-A-DALE</b> ( <i>Lc. Integrity, Steadfast x Lc. Savitar</i> )	3" 31/2" 4" 41/2" 5" 51/2" 6"	\$ 7.50 10.00 12.50 15.00 17.50 20.00 22.50
4788	C. TRIDENT, ATLAS X LC. MARDUK  The C. Trident employed in this cross was of exceptional deep lavender, form and substance of almost unbelievable quality. Late winter and spring bloomer.	3" 31/2" 4" 41/2" 5" 51/2" 6"	\$ 7.50 10.00 12.50 15.00 17.50 20.00 22.50
4789	C. DUPREANA X LC. MARDUK	3" 3½" 4"	\$ 7.50 10.00 12.50
4797	C. DUPREANA X C. ENKIDU GORDICIMO Gordicimo is a Spanish word meaning fatness. The Enkidu in this cross is certainly that, plus form and color. Season more than once a year with tendency to be midwinter and spring.	3½" 4"	\$10.00 12.50
4805	C. DUPREANA X C. DUPREANA  The fame of this hybrid is widely known. We used two of our best in this combination. Our strain is larger and darker than most. Season spring.	3½" 4"	\$10.00 12.50
4815	<b>LC. ELISSA, PIEDMONT X C. DUPREANA, CENTAUR</b>	3" 31/ <sub>2</sub> " 4"	\$ 7.50 10.00 12.50
4859	LC. BOADICIA, REGINA X LC. SAVITAR, SYMMETRY	3″ 3½″	\$ 7.50 10.00

### LAVENDER CATTLEYAS (Cont.)

4862	<b>C. TETHYS</b> (C. Annie J. Lines x C. Ardentissima, Colossal)	3″ 3½″ 4″	\$ 7.50 10.00 12.50
4863	LC. Paradisio just loves to grow and produce an abundance of flowers in medium shades of lavender of exceptional forms and substance. Lc. Integrity has these desirable characteristics plus rich gold veining in the lip. Season is spring.	3" 31/2" 4" 41/2" 5" 51/2" 6"	\$ 7.50 10.00 12.50 15.00 17.50 20.00 22.50
4864	<b>LC. PARADISIO X C. PROSPECTOR, WESTERN HORIZON</b> When C. Prospector finds the right mate, the growth habit is a delight to the eye of the "Orchidist." This truly is a happy combination. Rich lavender flowers, deeper colored lips with yellow gold marking. Season winter.	3" 31/2" 4" 41/2" 5" 51/2"	\$ 7.50 10.00 12.50 15.00 17.50 20.00 22.50
4871	<b>LC. INTEGRITY, REWARD X LC. INTEGRITY</b>	3" 3½" 4"	\$ 7.50 10.00 12.50
4879	C. REMY CHOLET, ORIG. X LC. SAVITAR, HERCULES Both parents are famous for their character and production. We will just say superb flowers in rich lavender replete with rich gold veining in the throat. Season mid-winter.	3" 3½" 4" 4½" 5"	\$ 7.50 10.00 12.50 15.00 17.50
4880	C. ENID #2828 X LC. PARADISIO	4" 4½" 5"	\$12.50 15.00 17.50
4920	<b>LC. CUESTA X LC. INTEGRITY, SUNRISE</b>	2½" 3" 3½"	\$ 5.00 7.50 10.00
4941	<b>LC. INTEGRITY X LC. CUESTA, CALCUTTA</b>	2½″ 3″	\$ 5.00 7.50
4974	<b>C. PROSPECTOR, ROTUNDA X LC. MARDUK</b>	1 ½" 2"	\$ 1.75 3.50
4975	<b>LC. TAHOE X C. PEETERSII</b>	1½" 2"	\$ 1.75 3.50
A-51	<b>C. LABIATA X C. ANN SANDER, BUXOM</b>	11/2"	\$ 1.75
A-55	<b>C. TETHYS X C. FABIA V. MIDNIGHT</b>	11/2"	\$ 1.75
A-73	C. TETHYS X C. CUESTA V. MIDNIGHT	11/2"	\$ 1.75

### LAVENDER CATTLEYAS (Cont.)

A-149	C. GAMUT X C. MT. ROYAL V. SYMMETRY	11/2"	\$ 1.75
A-187	C. J. A. CARBONE (C. Mossiae x C. Prospector v. Rotunda)	11/2″	\$ 1.75
A-201	C. NEBONAIR X C. NEBO  This is a recombination of C. Nebo blood lines for the Christmas season. The C. Nebonair was of fine shape and substance and we expect an exceptionally prolific bloomer for December.	11/2″	\$ 1.75
	CATTLEYAS - ALBAS WHITE SEPALS AND PETALS. COLORED LIP		
3846	<b>LC. PARIZADE</b> (C. Luegeae alba x Lc. Hassallii alba) One of our fine dependable albas with size and good colored lips. Season summer and fall.	5" 5½" 6"	\$17.50 20.00 22.50
3931	<b>C. ALICE BELDING</b> (C. Mary Chilton alba x C. Vivian alba) A clear white with bright solid purple lip. Predominantly summer. Resembles C. Gigas F.M.B.	5" 5½" 6"	\$15.00 17.50 20.00
4043	<b>C. HURON</b> (C. Mossiae Reineckiana x C. Nutley alba) Compact, free growing alba. Of pleasing size and shape, the lip is reminiscent of a very fine form of Reineckiana. Season should be winter and spring but variable.	5″ 5½″ 6″	\$17.50 20.00 22.50
4052	<b>C. EMPRESS FREDERICK ALBA</b> (C. Mossiae Reineckiana x C. Dowiana Aurea) The breeding of the finest Mossiae Reineckiana we know of to a very fine Dowiana aurea should provide an exceedingly fine alba form of this well known Cattleya.	5″ 5½″ 6″	\$12.50 15.00 17.50
4078	<b>LC. NEVADA</b> ( <i>Lc. Peter the Great x C. Enid alba</i> )	5″ 5½″ 6″	\$15.00 17.50 20.00
4394	C. PEETERSII ALBA X C. LUEGEAE ALBA	4" 4 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> "	\$10.00 12.50
	CATTLEYAS — Pure White		
3921	<b>C. MT. SHASTA</b> (C. Estelle alba, very fine var. x C. Bebe White) This cross has fully lived up to our expectations. It is large, has good substance and texture. Winter and early spring flowering.	5″ 5½″ 6″	\$17.50 20.00 22.50
3922	<b>C.</b> WHITE SAIL (C. Olive Pierson x C. Bebe White)	5" 5½" 6"	\$17.50 20.00 22.50
4026	C. EDITHIAE (C. Suzanne Hye alba x C. Trianae alba, Bromhill)	5″ 5½″ 6″	\$15.00 17.50 20.00
4027	<b>C. MT. RAINIER</b> (C. Estelle alba x C. Trianae alba, Bromhill)	5″ 5½″ 6″	\$15.00 17.50 20.00
4390	<b>C. RAMONA</b> (C. White Cloud v. Majestic x C. Clementin Goldfarb) A most worth-while pure white. Flowers in the fall when pure white orchids are much wanted.	4" 4½" 5" 5½" 6"	\$12.50 15.00 17.50 20.00 22.50

### **CATTLEYAS** — Pure White (Cont.)

4683	C. MOSSIAE WAGNERI X C. MOSSIAE WAGNERI	4" 4½"	\$10.00 12.50
4761	C. BARBARA BILLINGSLEY #1 X C. ESTELLE ALBA, CYNOSURE Beautiful pure white flower with rich gold flush high in the throat. The habit will be free flowering and easy to build into specimen plants. Season is fall and winter.	3" 3 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> " 4" 4 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> " 5"	\$ 7.50 10.00 12.50 15.00 17.50
A-190	<b>C. ARCTIC SNOW</b> (C. Estelle Alba x C. Souvenir de Louis Sander) This is a remake of this cross using the identical parents. It has proven to be one of the most prolific pure white Cattleyas we have ever seen. A marvelous grower flowering during the Easter season.	1½" 2"	\$ 1.75 3.50
	CATTLEYAS — Brassolaeliocattleya Types and Y	ellows	
3832	<b>LC. LOS ANGELES</b> ( <i>Lc. S. J. Bracey x Lc. Golden West</i> )	5" 51/ <sub>2</sub> " 6"	\$17.50 20.00 22.50
4124	<b>LC. SANDRA OZZELLA</b> ( <i>Lc. S. J. Bracey x C. Dowiana Aurea</i> ) We recommend this as a most interesting hybrid from <i>Lc. S. J. Bracey</i> , producing flowers from green-yellow to deep bronze with red lips. Quantity limited.	4½″ 5″ 5½″ 6″	\$15.00 17.50 20.00 22.50
4145	<b>BLC.</b> CHICKASHA (Lc. Pasadena x Blc. J. K. Lilly)	4½" 5" 5½" 6"	\$12.50 15.00 17.50 20.00
4205	<b>BLC. NACOUCHEE</b> (C. Estelle Alba x [Blc. Snowdon x Bc. Heatonensis]) This produces a Brassocattleya blooming in the wintertime. With enough of the Brassocattleya left to give large, beautiful lips. Estelle supplying substance and shape. Colors, pastel shades. Several plants from this cross have won awards.	5″ 5½″ 6″	\$17.50 20.00 22.50
4426	C. ESTELLE ALBA, CYNOSURE X BLC. MERU	4" 4 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> " 5"	\$12.50 15.00 17.50
4449	<b>LC. PINO GRANDE</b> (Bc. Warnham Beauty x Lc. Hyperion) A beautiful Brasso with rich color, substance, size, and form. Season variable but more than once a year. Quantity limited.	4½" 5"	\$15.00 17.50
4595	<b>LC. VIVIAN BONER</b> (C. Maggie Raphael Alba, Lady Love x Lc. Metacom) Color bronze yellows, overflushed with variegating shades of lavender. Season variable. Fall and winter. Quantity limited.	4" 4½" 5"	\$12.50 15.00 17.50
4627	<b>BC. WARNHAM BEAUTY X C. SERENITY, JUNO</b>	4" 4 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> "	\$12.50 15.00
4735	<b>LC. MARAVILLA</b> ( <i>Lc. Gatton Glory x Lc. Massasoit</i> )	3" 31/ <sub>2</sub> " 4"	\$ 7.50 10.00 12.50
4912	<b>SLC. AUTUMN DELIGHT</b> ( <i>Lc. S. J. Bracey, Lodestar x Slc. Anzac, Orchidhurst</i> ) . We have flowered a few of this cross and so far they resemble Slc. Anzac. However, some are bronze to rich sunset hues. Season fall and winter.	2" 2 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> " 3" 3 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> "	\$ 3.50 5.00 7.50 10.00
A-1	C. PROBITY X BLC. JOYANCE	1 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> " 2"	\$ 1.75 3.50

### CATTLEYAS — Brassolaeliocattleya Types and Yellows (Cont.) BLC. JOYANCE X C. DOWIANA AUREA . \$ 1.75 Blc. Joyance has yellow tones with reddish lavender lip. Yellows of increased 3.50 size and symmetry. Fall season. A-111 C. TRIUMPHANS X BLC. JOYANCE 11/2" \$ 1.75 Should produce flowers from greenish-yellow to deep bronze with red lips. A-143 LC. S. J. BRACEY V. LODESTAR X LC. WINEMA ALBA . $1\frac{1}{2}$ \$ 1.75 Should be bronze to yellow sepals and petals with dark lavender lip. Season late summer to fall. A-147 C. DOUSABEL X BLC. JOYANCE 11/2" \$ 1.75 We are frank to say that this is highly speculative. C. Dousabel should improve the shape of Blc. Joyance. Color bronze to yellow shades with red lip. Summer. **BIFOLIATE TYPE ORCHIDS** A-211 C. PORCIA (C. Labiata v. Mayflower x C. Armstrongiae) 11/2" \$ 1.75 A remake of an old time favorite of the small cluster type, bearing up to fifteen or more flowers on long sturdy stems. Bright lavender with gold throat. Season fall. A-221 **C. PORTIA** (C. Bowringiana x C. Labiata v. Thanksgiving) . 11/2" \$ 1.75 Another old time favorite similar to A-211. Flowers are somewhat larger and darker with less yellow in the throat. Season fall, Mature Divisions of C. Porcia and C. Portia are available. \$25.00 35.00 Larger plants. Prices on request. A-37 C. SNOW SONG X C. VESPER . . . . 11/2" \$ 1.75 A medium size white of the cluster type. Some gold in throat. Season should be winter. C. HENRIETTA JAPHET X C. SNOW SONG 11/2" \$ 1.75 Similar to A-37 but somewhat larger flowers. Should be more prolific. Season winter.



C. PORTIA (Bifoliate Type Orchid)

### The Cypripedium Orchid...

The Cypripedium is considered the easiest orchid to grow. This lovely orchid takes its name from the Greek, meaning "Venus-slipper." All of its species can be identified by the pouch, or slipper-like lip of the flower. Many wild types, commonly known as "lady-slippers" are found in our woods and fields, but the cultivated varieties are sturdier, much larger and more dramatic. Flowers are long lasting. Colors in this orchid are breathtaking, varying from white through butter-yellow to deep purple-browns. The remarkable variations of markings make this an everinteresting, ever-popular plant. Principal blooming seasons are Fall and Winter.

If you could step into a house full of these lovely and charming slipper orchids with their individual variations, you, too, would want to own a few plants.

Cypripedium prices quoted in our catalog are based on flowering size plants in four-inch pots.



### **CULTURAL SUGGESTIONS FOR CYPRIPEDIUMS**

Contrary to popular belief, a wide variety of orchids will grow in the same enclosure. Cypripediums and Cattleyas are particularly good neighbors and most varieties will thrive under the same conditions. If space is available and the budget allows a separate enclosure, there are a few fancy touches that Cypripediums will enjoy.

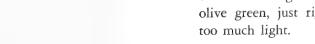
Osmundine is a standard medium for growing all varieties of Cypripediums. However, we are now using a potting mixture of ½ sand, ½ peat moss, and ½ fir bark, and are having good results.

Light intensity should be the same as for Cattleyas – relaxing without being depressing to the average human being. In cool, damp climates provide more sunlight than in hot, dry ones. The color of the leaves is a good indication – dark green, too much shade; olive green, just right; yellow green, too much light.

Temperatures may run into the high nineties without damage but where possible 68 degrees to 80 degrees is better. Where low day temperatures prevail a night temperature of 50 degrees to 55 degrees would be preferable. In warmer regions 60 degrees or a little higher is beneficial.

Don't be afraid to let your Cypripe-diums dry at the roots for a short period, then water them thoroughly. Cypripediums enjoy a free circulation of air, but remember to keep the relative humidity as near 60% as possible. If your plants have good root systems a light spray overhead will do no harm but it is better to let them dry before nightfall. The warm growing whites and mottled leaf varieties may be handled as other types but prefer a temperature five to eight degrees higher.

Feeding Cypripediums is very beneficial during the growing season. Use fish emulsion or nitrogen fertilizers sparingly.





### CYPRIPEDIUMS

### Connoisseur and Exhibition Varieties

AMBITION, FINE VARIETY (Fairreanum x Gwen Hannen)	d
A bold, handsome flower. The broad, erect dorsal is banded with white around the green, purple spotted area. The petals are honey-yellow with a central line of brown an some brown shading on the dorsal halves; the margins are undulated. The honey-yellow rim and base of the lip sets off the bright brown frontal portion to great advantage.	d
CAMEO, WYLD COURT (Etta x Nesta II)  A vigorous grower bearing flowers of tremendous size and substance. The dorsal is whit with a green aurora, profuse with large claret spots. Pouch and petals are sepia over flushed with claret. A most unusual flower. Long lasting.	. \$75.00 e r-
CAPPAMAGNA V. FRED SANDER FCC-RHS (Cardinal Mercier x Nubia)	of
CHRYSOSTOM V. STANLEY BALDWIN FCC-MOS (Christopher x Pyramus)	
CLARE DE LUNE AM-RHS (Emerald x Alma Gavaert)	
CRESCENT MEADOW (Agnes de Burc x Margaret MacCaull)	
<b>DENEHURST V. SURPRISE AM-RHS</b> (Dervish x Lady Mona)	g
<b>DERVISH</b> (Bordube v. Eau de Nil x Grace Darling)	. \$40.00 e
<b>DIANA BROUGHTON</b> (Doris Black x Grace Darling)	. \$25.00 s
<b>ELAINE II, V. LUNA</b> (insigne, Sanderae x nitens-leeanum, Charlesianum)	g
F. C. PUDDLE FCC-RHS AM (Actaeus Bianca x Astarte)	. \$50.00 e
GWEN HANNEN, variety FIELD MARSHAL, FCC-RHS	0

	Probably one of the finest cut-flower Cypripediums in existence, particularly as it is more or less a continuous bloomer, producing on long stems, large flowers almost entirely dark Indian red in color with a touch of light green in the central area and a slight fusion to perilla purple in the dorsal veins. The small area of white in the upper dorsal emphasizes by strong contrast the dark coloring. Beautiful mottled foliage.	\$35.00
; ;	ATCHER (Lady Dillon x Thrums, Langley var.)	\$25.00
	T MacCAULL (Chesham x Doris Black)	\$25.00
i	<b>EXBURY VAR. AM-RHS</b> (Nubian x Mrs. Carey Batten)	\$40.00
,	WN AM-RHS (Gwen Hannen album x Astarte)	\$30.00
 	GREEN'S VAR. AM (Alcibiades, v. Illustrious x Lord Wolmer, v. Duke of Marlborough) No brief description can do justice to this world-famous hybrid. It has a free flowering habit; symmetrical flowers average size. Dorsal is apple green with chocolate spots. Pouch and petals are chartreuse heavily overflushed with chocolate rust.	\$50.00



SIZE OF CYPRIPEDIUM PLANTS IN 4 INCH POTS.

### Cypripediums of High Quality

*ALABASTER (Alcibiades, superbum x Godseffianum)	\$ 7.50
BARONIAL (Shogun x The Baron)	\$ 7.50
BEDFORDIAE (Actaeus, v. Revoluta x Shogun)	\$10.00
BEECHMANII (Probably same parentage as Berkeleyanum which is Bellatulum by Boxalli) Most attractive. Well shaped. The petals and pouch and lower dorsal are soft green overlaid light brown. The petals have a brown central line. Dorsal is white lightly spotted with about half the lower area in green.	\$17.50
<b>BERYL PEARMAN</b> (Nacie Gamble x Mem. F. M. Ogilvie)	\$15.00
BORDUBE VAR. EAU DE NIL (Florence Spencer x viridissimum)	\$20.00
*BRIGHTEYES (Earl of Tankerville x Sultan)  Here is a Cypripedium of unusual traits. It shows a partly divided sepal backing a slim waxy Indian red pouch. The petals are spotted closely in Hay's russet rendering a checkered look balancing an unusual dorsal on which the large spots fairly protrude and at the top of which a very light touch of perilla purple shows through.	\$10.00
*CALUNA (Cardinal Mercier x Luna)	\$ 7.50
<b>CAMELOT</b> ( <i>Phantasy x Walter Moore</i> )	\$15.00
CAPPAMAGNA (Cardinal Mercier x Nubia)	\$15.00
CORSAIR (Niobe x Nitens)	\$10.00
*CYCLOPS (Actaeus x Fulshawense)	\$10.00
DRACO VAR. ROYAL OAK (Hera x insigne)	\$12.50
FLYING SWORD (Nena v. giganteum x Perseus v. alpha)	\$12.50

GLENARM (Thrush x Germaine Opoix)  Glenarm is a strong free-blooming Cypripedium. The typical waxy dorsal has a vivid dar Indian red color fusing over apple green to perilla purple to white. The sepal repeats the deepest red color of the dorsal blending to a dull apple green the same combination of which covers the pouch.	е
GOLIATH (insigne, Harefield Hall x Troilus, Amy Moore)  A large flower of the Harefield Hall type, this bloom shows dull yellow-green and sorghur brown coloring in the pouch and petals, accented by a more vivid green dorsal which provides an excellent background for many dark irregular size spots. It is a free bloomer	h
HADRIAN (Beacon x Leeanum)  A very good bloomer is Hadrian whose basic color throughout is olive yellow subdued by brighter apple green veins in the slightly spotted dorsal and intensified in the petals and pouch tip, while the upper pouch is Prussian red.	. \$15.00 y d
KING ARTHUR (Bingleyense x Monsieur de Curte)  One of the best cut-flower Cypripediums, this dark, average sized free bloomer has Hessian brown petals and pouch, void of any trim, and a similarly colored dorsal blending to light perilla purple and finally to a faint showing of white.	. \$15.00
KITTY (Swinburnei x T. B. Haywood)  Kitty is a well-shaped, medium-sized bloom. The pouch is Indian purple with a light apple green tip. The apple green predominates in the dorsal with veins of deep Indian purple	\$15.00
MARTIN (Bourton Lady x Swallow)  The sharp coloring of large dark Indian red spots over apple-green veining and plain white helps to make this massive free bloomer attract the eye. In the petals it repeats the combination to a less intense degree and adds shadings of russet borrowed from the pouch, solid in that color.	<u> </u>
MAUDIAE VAR. MAGNIFICUM FCC-RHS (Callosum, Sanderae x Lawrenceanum Hyeanum) Probably the most profitable cut-flower Cypripedium, this green and white hybrid blooms throughout the entire year. Beautiful mottled foliage.	\$12.50
MEMORIA J. H. WALKER (Lady Dillon x Cardinal Mercier)	\$20.00
OLYMPUS, THE CHAIRMAN (Alcibiades x Leeanum, Clinkaberryanum)	\$20.00
PYRAMUS (Hera v. Euraydes x Mrs. W. Mostyn)  Large bloom. Pouch and petals a combination of mahogany and Nile green. Dorsal green at base, shading to white and heavily spotted with perilla purple.	\$15.00
QUEEN OF THE BELGIANS (Cynthia x Monsieur de Curte, Alportense)	\$15.00
ROSSETTI VAR. MAGNIFICUM (insigne, Sanderianum x Maudiae)  This lovely yellow bloom has very light green at its dorsal while the upper third is white.	\$25.00
SIR REDVERS BULLER (insigne x Smithii)  The pouch and petal ends are lightly tinted of Bordeaux and the central part of the petals and sepal are light lumiere green with carefully dotted lines in burnt lake.	\$12.50
SUNDOWN (Anak x Lady Dillon) .  Sundown displays a well shaped white dorsal splashed with green-yellow symmetrically lined with deeper apple-green veins. It is covered by varied sized dark Indian red spots thickly concentrated in the center and gradually thinning out to nothing toward the edge.	\$12.50
THE MAJOR, BECKTON'S VAR. (Gaston Bultel x Harrisianum, superbum).  The beautiful dorsal of this bloom presents a study in design. The white edges contrast with the mass of vinaceous purple, accentuated by a center dividing line of shiny deep Indian red.	\$15.00

Good commercial variety. An easy grower. Flowers of medium size with good stem length.  Dorsal is pinkish background heavily spotted with chocolate red spots. Petals and pouch are beige overflush.	\$ 7.50
*WILLIAM KIRCH (insigne x Grace Darling)	\$ 7.50

### SPECIAL COMBINATION OFFER OF CYPRIPEDIUMS IN THE HIGH QUALITY GROUP The varieties marked with the \* are offered in a group, your selection, 3 PLANTS FOR \$20.00

### Easy on the Budget Varieties

### **BROWN GROUP**

**ANAK** (Cyclops x The Duchess)

AUROBE (Aureum, [Oedippe] x Niobe)

**CHANTICLEER** (Atlantis x Charlesworthii)

**HARRISIANUM** (Barbatum x Villosum)

The first Cypripedium Hybrid raised and flowered.

MAUDIAE COLORATUM (Callosum x Lawrenceanum)

NYDIA (Niobe x Nitens-Leeanum, Charlesianum)

**PRIAM** (insigne x Niobe)

### **GREEN GROUP**

**ACTAEUS LANGLEYENSIS** (insigne Sanderae x Leeanum)

AUREUM HYEANUM (Nitens, Sallieri Hyeanum x Spicerianum)

**AUREUM EXCELSIS** (Nitens x Spicerianum)

**INSIGNE** 

**LATHAMIANUM** (Spicerianum x Villosum)

**LEEANUM GRATRIXIAE** (insigne, Sanderae x Spicerianum)

**STADIUM** (Dreadnought x Troilus)

TRACEYANUM (Aureum x Leeanum, Giganteum)

**NERISSA** (Maudiae x San-Actaeus)

### YELLOW GROUP

MINOS YOUNGII (Anthurianum x Spicerianum)

**INSIGNE SANDERAE** 

BROWN, YELLOW and GREEN GROUPS — \$5.00 per plant

COMBINATION OFFER — 4 plants for \$15.00

May include selections from all color groups.

### CYPRIPEDIUM SEEDLINGS

- 5574 JOHN THATCHER (Lady Dillon x Thrums, Langley Var.)
- 5580 **JOHN THATCHER** (Lady Dillon x Thrums, Langley Var.)
- 5583 TALEGA (Actaeus Var. Bianca, W'birt Var. x Chesham)
- 5587 CAPTAIN JACK (Dora x Margaret MacCaull)
- 5795 ACTAEUS BIANCA #107 X MEM. W. H. WHITE #106.
- 5858 **CRESCENT MEADOW** (Agnes de Burc #25 x Margaret MacCaull)
- 5911 FANTASIA (Cyclops A.M. x Christopher, G.D.N.)
- 5947 DIANA BROUGHTON, EXTRA FINE, #153 X AGNES DE BURC.
- 6024 HOLDENII W'BIRT X CRESCENT MEADOW VAR. LITTLE JOHN.
- 6028 TALEGA #196 X EMERALD X MRS. CARL HOLMES #197.
- 6030 MAUDIAE, W'BIRT #200 X TALEGA #196.
- 6035 MEM. W. H. WHITE #131 X TALEGA #205.
- C160 ANSUN #303 X DICKLER #304.
- C 196 FLORENCE SPENCER FCC X CRESCENT MEADOW VAR. FRIAR TUCK.

### PRICES. ALL ABOVE SEEDLINGS.

Small Size. Leaves 2 to  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " long . . . . \$ 5.00 each Medium Size. Leaves  $2\frac{1}{2}$  to 3" long . . . . 7.50 each Large Size. Leaves 3 to 5" long . . . . . . 10.00 each



SMALL - 2 1/2"

MEDIUM — 3"

CYPRIPEDIUM SEEDLINGS

LARGE - 3 1/2"

### The Cymbidium Orchid ...

Cymbidium orchid flowers are long lasting – from four to eight weeks, with long, graceful flower spikes. They come in a wide range of colors, or, you might say all colors of the rainbow, with ten to thirty flowers on each spike. No orchid collection is complete without a few plants of Cymbidiums, but be sure you purchase dependable varieties from a dependable firm. Some varieties are difficult to flower, or produce flowers of poor quality.

Our offerings are divisions of proven plants flowering in our greenhouses or lath houses. With our large stock of awarded plants, breeding plants, show varieties and commercial cut flower plants we can fill your every need. Prices are now within the reach of all and are quite in line with other species of orchid plants.





Cymbidiums and many varieties of Cypripediums will grow well in the open in many parts of the United States, side by side and under such a wide range of conditions as to have caused wide dissension among amateurs and some professionals as well on the subject of ideal conditions for them. However, it is generally considered now that if one follows more or less a few standard rules successful culture is assured. First of all, provide a light open soil mixture so that the water will drain freely. This may be accomplished by a mixture of 1/3 peat moss,  $\frac{1}{3}$  sand and  $\frac{1}{3}$  fir bark.

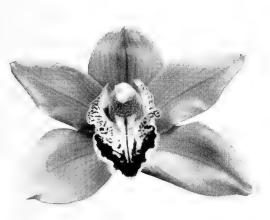
Ideal light intensity is that produced in a lath house constructed so that the laths are the space of one lath apart. The reason for this is that as the sun moves, the shade of the laths will move along the leaves providing periods of lower light intensity of about the correct degree.

If your growing medium is well drained the plants will take water about once a week in the summertime. A good way to determine the degree of dryness that should be reached be-

fore watering is to take a handful of soil from just beneath the surface and squeeze it. If it forms a cake the soil is too moist for watering. If it does not form a cake then it is time to water.

In areas where freezing conditions are encountered during the winter months Cymbidiums may be grown by a combination glass house and out-ofdoors culture. In this case it is better to employ pot culture and the same soil mixture recommended above or a bit more fibrous. In summer grow them under lath or trees that will afford the above light intensity and bring them inside when the outdoor temperature reaches the low forties at night. Night temperature of 50 degrees to 55 degrees is recommended for Cymbidiums. If placed in the same house with Cattleyas or Cypripediums give them the position with the greatest amount of light.

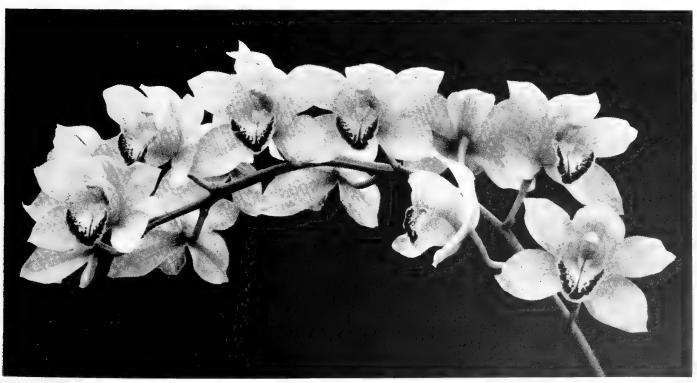
Fertilizing with fish emulsion or high nitrogen fertilizers during the growing season is beneficial, tapering off in the fall. Fertilize sparingly at frequent intervals rather than a large quantity at one time.



### **CYMBIDIUMS**

Connoisseur and Exhibition Varieties	PRICE PER BULB
BLUE SMOKE V. BLACKAMOOR (Lowianum x Mirabel)	\$ 25.00
BLUE SMOKE V. GREEN MEADOW (Lowianum x Mirabel)	\$ 35.00
BLUE SMOKE VAR. SEA GREEN (Lowianum x Mirabel)	\$ 35.00
BODMIN MOOR V. KATHLEEN (Alexanderi, W'birt FCC-RHS x Erica Sander)	\$ 37.50
<b>BODMIN MOOR V. GREEN IVORY</b> (Alexanderi, W'birt FCC-RHS x Erica Sander) First class flower, for size and shape. One of the best. White with green suffusion.	\$ 75.00
BRAMHOPE (Alexanderi, W'birt Var. FCC-RHS x Curlew #4)	\$ 50.00
<b>CLARE ARMSTRONG V. ROBIN HOOD</b> (Alexanderi, W'birt FCC-RHS x Mirelle) lvory green with dark pink lip. Extra fine variety in every way. Vigorous grower. Free flowering.	\$ 75.00
CYGNUS VAR. CONSTELLATION (Alexanderi x Coningsbyanum)	\$ 75.00
<b>DORCHESTER V. SNOWDROP</b> (Alexanderi x Tityus)	\$ 50.00
ETHEL WARD V. PURITY (Alexanderi, W'birt FCC-RHS, Lysander)	\$ 37.50
GRACE MITCHELL (Alexanderi, W'birt Var. FCC-RHS x Apollo #4)	\$ 50.00
JOCOSITY V. GREEN IVORY (Curlew x Lowio-Grandiflorum)	\$ 50.00
JUNGFRAU VAR. BLUSH (Alexanderi x Eagle)	\$ 37.50
MANDARIN, W'BIRT VAR. AM-RHS (Miranda x Wheatear)	\$ 75.00
NORTHERN LIGHTS V. DAYBREAK (Giant Rose x North Ampliatum) Silver Award Outstanding pink, with deeper lip fine shape and texture extra.	\$100.00
OLYMPUS V. ALBENS AM-RHS (Alexanderi, W'birt FCC-RHS x Vesta)	\$ 37.50
OLYMPUS VAR. REX (Alexanderi, W'birt x Vesta) FCC-RHS  Used extensively in breeding. Large white, flushed with pink, with mottled lip. Very fine texture.	\$ 50.00
PAUWELSII V. COMTE DE HEMPTINE FCC-RHS (insigne x Lowianum).  Very largebronzeused extensively in breedingtremendous grower.	\$ 50.00
<b>PEARL V. MASTIFF AM-RHS</b> (Alexanderi x Grandiflorum)	\$ 50.00
<b>PERI V. CALIFORNIA</b> (Pauwelsii, Comte de Hemptine FCC-RHS x President Wilson)	\$ 75.00
<b>PERI V. CLOTH OF GOLD</b> (Pauwelsii, Comte de Hemptine FCC-RHS x President Wilson) This peri, as its name denotes, predominantly golden, overlaid with bronze very fine.	\$ 35.00

	PRICE PER BULB
<b>PERI V. DISTINCTION</b> (Pauwelsii, Comte de Hemptine FCC-RHS x President Wilson) This variety carries tremendous spikes with large, well formed, reddish bronze flowers.	\$ 50.00
<b>PERI V. GREEN MEADOW</b> (Pauwelsii, Comte de Hemptine FCC-RHS x President Wilson) Bronze, overlaid with green very fine variety.	\$ 37.50
<b>PERI V. IMPERIAL</b> (Pauwelsii, Comte de Hemptine FCC-RHS x President Wilson) Silver Award. As its name denotes a truly regal variety immense spikes of well formed golden-bronze flowers.	\$ 50.00
<b>PERI V. IRONCLAD AM-AOS</b> (Pauwelsii, Comte de Hemptine FCC-RHS x President Wilson) AM-AOS Silver Award. Rich bronze extra large well formed flowers possibly the finest of the Peris.	\$100.00
<b>PERI V. THE KING</b> (Pauwelsii, Comte de Hemptine FCC-RHS x President Wilson)	\$ 75.00
QUEEN ELISABETH V. PARAGON (Flamingo x Olympus)	\$ 37.50
QUEEN MARY AM-RHS (Flamingo x Jason)	\$ 50.00
<b>SANTA BARBARA V. ROSEMARY</b> (Alexanderi, W'birt FCC-RHS x Charm, [Cendre de Rose]) Rosy pink with deeper lip fine shape and texture.	\$ 37.50
<b>SWALLOW, W'BIRT VAR.</b> (Alexanderi, W'Birt FCC-RHS x Pauwelsii)	\$ 62.50
TINSEL (Pearl Mag. x Babylon, Castle Hill)	\$ 30.00
Also a few divisions of Varietal named plants. Quotations on request.	
WOODCOCK V. BRONZE KING AM-RHS (Alexanderi x Firefinch)	\$ 50.00
YARM (Alexanderi, W'birt Var. FCC-RHS x Thora FCC-RHS #5)	\$ 50.00



CYMBIDIUM TINSEL VAR. MINUET

### **High Quality Commercial Varieties**

This listing is made up as a representative group of our better quality cut flower varieties. We quote a range of prices as all plants have been evaluated while in flower.

		PRICE RANGE PER BULB	
ADELE SANDERS (Alexanderi, W'birt FCC-RHS x St. Alban, Princess Beatrix) Yellow tones uniformly good large, well shaped flowers.	\$12.50	\$35.00	
ALBANIA (Albanense x Alexanderi)	\$ 5.00	\$25.00	
ALEXANDERI (Eburneo-Lowianum x insigne)	\$ 5.00	\$25.00	
ANNA (Alexanderi, Albens x Mary Sander)	\$ 6.00	\$25.00	
<b>ANTHONY EVANS</b> (Alexanderi, W'Birt FCC-RHS x Bodmin Moor) lvory white to blush white with much deeper pink lip large flower.	\$ 7.50	\$25.00	
BALDUR (Alexanderi x Castor)	\$10.00	\$37.50	
BLUE SMOKE (Lowianum x Mirabel)	\$ 5.00	\$25.00	
BLUSH (Alexanderi, W'birt FCC-RHS x Magali Sander)  As the name denotes a blush pink very fine flowers large good shape.	\$10.00	\$30.00	
<b>BRUGES GEM</b> (Pauwelsii, Comte de Hemptine FCC-RHS x Ralph Sander) From bronze to green with reddish lip tremendous grower large spikes and flowers.	\$ 5.00	\$25.00	
BRUGES RUBY (Pauwelsii, Comte de Hemptine FCC-RHS x Regina)	\$ 5.00	\$17.50	
BULLFINCH (Alexanderi x Garnet)	\$15.00	\$25.00	
CAIRNGORM (Valhalla x Yellow Hammer)	\$ 5.00	\$10.00	
CHARM X ERYTHROSTYLUM	\$10.00	\$17.50	
CLARE ARMSTRONG (Alexanderi, W'birt FCC-RHS x Mirelle)	\$10.00	\$50.00	
COLENE TRITZ (Rio Rita x Plover v. Orient)  One of our new introductions running so far most to greens with reddish lip good size and shape.	\$ 5.00	\$17.50	
DABCHICK X PEARL V. MAG. FCC .  Mostly greenish shades medium size well shaped flowers.	\$10.00	\$35.00	
DORCHESTER (Alexanderi x Tityus)  Very large blush flowers with deeper lip tremendous grower.	\$10.00	\$25.00	
FAIRY PRINCESS (Lyoth x Princesse Astrid) Lively pink with long spikes bearing many medium sized flowers.	\$ 6.00	\$15.00	
FLYCATCHER (Alexanderi, W'birt FCC-RHS x Delphine)	\$17.50	\$37.50	
HEATHROW (Claudette x Erica Sander)	\$12.50	\$25.00	

	PRICE RANGE PER BULB	
HENRY DAVIS (Alexanderi, W'birt x Diadem)		\$37.50
ILKLEY MOOR (Bodmin Moor x Pauwelsii, Comte de Hemptine)	\$ 7.50	\$25.00
IRENE GIBBS (Bodmin Moor, F. K. Sander x Swallow)	\$ 5.00	\$25.00
JANETTE (Alexanderi, W'birt FCC-RHS x Joy Sander)	\$ 7.50	\$17.50
JASON (Alexanderi x Miranda)	\$12.50	\$17.50
JOCOSITY (Curlew x Lowio-Grandiflorum)		\$37.50
MIDAS (Miranda x Pauwelsii)		\$17.50
MIRANDA (Alexanderi x Lowio-Grandiflorum)	\$ 7.50	\$37.50
NELL GWYNNE (Mandarin x Myrna)	\$12.50	\$25.00
<b>PERI—EXCLUSIVE OF NAMED VARIETIES</b> (Pauwelsii, CDH x President Wilson) Very prolific bronze to yellow and green tremendous grower.	\$ 5.00	\$20.00
PERI, PICADOR (Pauwelsii x President Wilson)		\$10.00
PERI, REDSKIN (Pauwelsii x President Wilson)		\$10.00
PERI, ROBIN (Pauwelsii x President Wilson)		\$10.00
PRESIDENT WILSON (Alexanderi x Lowianum)	\$10.00	\$25.00
<b>PRINCESS ELIZABETH</b> (Alexanderi, W'birt FCC-RHS x Princesse Astrid Bellissima) . Excellent pink in various shades fine shape and substance.	\$ 5.00	\$25.00
PRINCESS MARY (Garibaldi, Mag. x Princesse Astrid)	\$ 5.00	\$20.00
ROCK DOVE (Alexanderi, W'birt FCC-RHS x Marabou)	\$17.50	\$25.00
<b>SANTA BARBARA</b> (Alexanderi, W'birt FCC-RHS x Charm, Cendre de Rose) Blush to deep pink excellent shape and substance.	\$ 5.00	\$25.00
<b>SWALLOW</b> (Alexanderi x Pauwelsii)	\$10.00	\$50.00
<b>WATER RAIL</b> (Alexanderi, W'birt FCC-RHS x Pixie)	\$17.50	\$50.00
<b>WEST PARK</b> (Alexanderi, W'birt FCC-RHS x Landrail)	\$ 7.50	\$25.00

### SPECIAL CYMBIDIUM OFFERS

### **Established Divisions**

### GROUP 1. \$5.00 per Division.

ANNA (Alexanderi, Albens x Mary Sander)

Blush white to pink . . . well formed medium flowers of good substance.

BRUGES GEM (Pauwelsii, Comte de Hemptine FCC-RHS x Ralph Sander)

From bronze to green with reddish lip . . . tremendous grower . . . large spikes and flowers.

BRUGES RUBY (Pauwelsii, Comte de Hemptine FCC-RHS x Regina)

Bronze with red lip - large flower - good producer.

CAIRNGORM (Valhalla x Yellow Hammer)

Green to yellow with red lip.

COLENE TRITZ (Rio Rita x Plover v. Orient)

Greens . . . with reddish lip . . . good size and shape.

**HEATHROW** (Claudette x Erica Sander)

Ivory greens with pink lip . . . very graceful spikes . . . very fine variety.

PERI-EXCLUSIVE OF NAMED VARIETIES (Pauwelsii, CDH x President Wilson)

Very prolific . . . bronze to yellow and green . . . tremendous grower.

### GROUP 2. \$7.50 per Division.

**ALBANIA** (Albanense x Alexanderi)

Blush white to pink shades . . . with deeper lip . . . good producer.

**ALEXANDERI** (Eburneo-Lowianum x insigne)

From white, blush white to cream . . . well known variety of proven worth.

ANNA (Alexanderi, Albens x Mary Sander)

Blush white to pink...well formed medium flowers of good substance.

ANTHONY EVANS (Alexanderi, W'birt FCC-RHS x Bodmin Moor)

Ivory white to blush white . . . with much deeper pink lip . . . large flower.

COLENE TRITZ (Rio Rita x Plover v. Orient)

Greens . . . with reddish lip . . . good size and shape.

ILKLEY MOOR (Bodmin Moor x Pauwelsii, Comte de Hemptine)

Bronze overlaid with green ... very large spikes ... bearing many flowers ... good grower.

**IRENE GIBBS** (Bodmin Moor, F. K. Sander x Swallow)

From green to rust brown . . . with very distinctive lip.

PERI—EXCLUSIVE OF NAMED VARIETIES (Pauwelsii, CDH x President Wilson)

Very prolific...bronze to yellow and green...tremendous grower.

### GROUP 3. \$10.00 per Division.

ALBANIA (Albanense x Alexanderi)

Blush white to pink shades . . . with deeper lip . . . good producer.

**ALEXANDERI** (Eburneo-Lowianum x insigne)

From white, blush white to cream . . . well known variety of proven worth.

**BLUE SMOKE** (Lowianum x Mirabel)

Various shades of green . . . medium size . . . rated one of the best greens.

BODMIN MOOR (Alexanderi, W'birt FCC-RHS x Erica Sander)

Whites, ivory and yellow. Some flushed pink. Deep pink lip. Fine quality. Good grower.

### GROUP 3. (Cont.)

### **DORCHESTER** (Alexanderi x Tityus)

Very large . . . blush flowers with deeper lip . . . tremendous grower.

### PERI-EXCLUSIVE OF NAMED VARIETIES (Pauwelsii, CDH x President Wilson)

Very prolific...bronze to yellow and green...tremendous grower.

### PRESIDENT WILSON (Alexanderi x Lowianum)

Runs in color from blush to tan — very fine flower.

### **ROCK DOVE** (Alexanderi, W'birt FCC-RHS x Marabou)

Blush white with distinctive lip...good grower.

### GROUP 4. \$15.00 per Division.

### ADELE SANDERS (Alexanderi, W'birt FCC-RHS x St. Alban, Princess Beatrix)

Yellow tones . . . uniformly good . . . large, well shaped flowers.

### **BALDUR** (Alexanderi x Castor)

Cream to light yellow...flowers large of good substance...good grower.

### **BODMIN MOOR** (Alexanderi, W'birt FCC-RHS x Erica Sander)

Whites, ivory, and yellow. Some flushed pink. Deep pink lip. Fine quality. Good grower.

### **CLARE ARMSTRONG** (Alexanderi, W'birt FCC-RHS x Mirelle)

Very fine variety...ivory to blush white... with showy deep pink to red lip. Good size and substance.

### **DORCHESTER** (Alexanderi x Tityus)

Very large ... blush flowers with deeper lip ... tremendous grower.

### GRACE MITCHELL (Alexanderi, W'birt Var. FCC-RHS x Apollo FCC-RHS)

Pastel pink, darker lip. Large, good shape and texture.

### PERI—EXCLUSIVE OF NAMED VARIETIES (Pauwelsii, CDH x President Wilson)

Very prolific . . . bronze to yellow and green . . . tremendous grower.

### PRINCESS ELIZABETH (Alexanderi, W'birt FCC-RHS x Princesse Astrid Bellissima)

Excellent pink in various shades . . . fine shape and substance.

### **SANTA BARBARA** (Alexanderi, W'birt FCC-RHS x Charm, Cendre de Rose)

Blush to deep pink . . . excellent shape and substance.

### **SWALLOW** (Alexanderi x Pauwelsii)

Blush white to creamy yellow ... with crimson lip ... large flowers of excellent form.

### WEST PARK (Alexanderi, W'birt FCC-RHS'x Landrail)

Creamy pink with deep rich pink lip...very fine addition to a collection.

### PLEASE NOTE:

All Cymbidium plants will be shipped out of pots.

All prices are for divisions as shown in illustrations of Special Priced Groups.

### CYMBIDIUM SEEDLINGS

- 957 LOWIANUM GRACEFUL X ALEX. W'BIRT, FCC-RHS We expect greens to greenish yellows.
- 961 **CYM. SWALLOW** (Alex. W'birt x Pauwelsii, Comte de Hemptine FCC-RHS) A remake of this famous hybrid. White, pinks to yellow shades.
- 963 MADELEINE VAR. AFTERGLOW X ALEX. W'BIRT FCC-RHS We expect a wide range of shades from bronze to golden yellows.
- 966 MADELEINE CANBERRA X BABYLON CASTLE HILL FCC-RHS We expect deep pinks to rose shades.

### **PHALAENOPSIS**

SEAGULL (Dr. Henry O. Eversole x Doris).

Flowering size plants, according to size, \$10.00 to \$25.00.

### ANTHURIUMS

RED, PINK, WHITE. (Divisions, not Seedlings.)
Flowering size. According to size, \$5.00, \$7.50 and \$10.00.



CYMBIDIUM SEEDLINGS

Plant with 1 buib and 18" leaves

Plant with 18" leaves

### THE FIR BARK STORY

By Leo Holguin

Orchids, as most of us know, have been grown in many different media and composts—Osmunda, Leaf Mold and Redwood Bark, Tree Fern Bark, Sand, Gravel, and almost everything else under the sun, excepting, maybe, the kitchen sink. As one grower remarked: "You can grow them on concrete once you learn how."

Most materials with the exception of Osmunda tend to break down rapidly which makes them impractical for the commercial grower to use. However, now we have the new wonder media, Fir Bark, which should last as long as Osmunda it is reported. A year or two ago a few growers started to experiment with this material and report excellent results.

At Armacost & Royston we started to experiment with Fir Bark in August of 1955. We have one house with mature Cattleyas in this material and two benches of Cattleyas potted in steam sterilized Fir Bark. In the benches the material is three inches deep.

Up to February, 1956, the plants have shown an increase in root growth. The top growth seems to be about the same as when Osmunda is used. We will not know about the quality of the flowers until the Summer or Fall of 1956 when the plants come into bloom.

At this time, February 1956, we can say that results thus far are satisfactory. We cannot say, frankly, that Fir Bark will take the place of Osmunda. At least two years of experimentation will be required. We want to learn definitely just how long Fir Bark will last before breaking down.

In addition to the above plantings we have a bench of Seedlings in Fir Bark and they are doing very well. We are also using the material in our Cymbidium and Cypripedium composts in place of pine shavings or redwood bark, as formerly. We use the Fir Bark as it comes from the mill for all mature plants. For seedlings we screen out the coarse and very fine grades.

We use 10 pounds of Dolomite lime to one cubic yard of Fir Bark which brings the PH up to about 5.9. We feed every other watering with Ammonium Nitrate (33.5% Nitrogen), one teaspoonful to a gallon of water, or 8 to 50 gallons.

An analysis is taken about every other month and during the past six months all we have had to add has been Nitrogen. The PH remains around 5.9. Fir Bark has a high Phosphate and Potassium content, but is low in Nitrogen and Calcium.

Fir Bark costs less than most other materials and is less expensive to use because potting and watering are easier and faster.

The big question is — How long will Fir Bark last before breaking down? Will it replace Osmunda — will the plants continue to thrive in years to come as they have thus far? Only time will tell.

### **ORCHID SUPPLIES**

OSMUNDA—Brown. Best Quality Carton 1/2 Gunny Sack Gunny Sack Bale (Approx. 60#) 10 Bales or more — Per Bale	Cleaned and Cut \$ .75 2.86 5.20	\$ 2.60 4.16 15.60 13.50	No. 16—4"x³/4"—Copper wires \$ No. 17—5"x1" —Copper wires 1 No. 22—5"x³/4"—Pot labels. Pointed 1 PERMATAG Aluminum Labels—Packet of 2 EVERLAST Aluminum Labels—Packet of 50	.90 .25 .25 .24	
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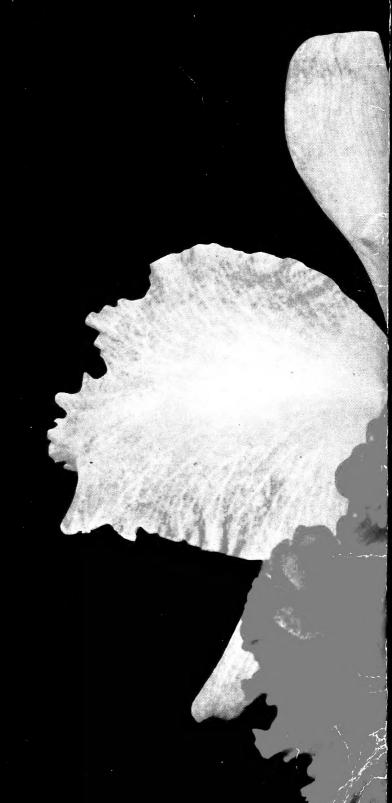
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